



## 5th Annual SOTUA Addresses Concerns

By Lauren Testa  
Staff Reporter

On Monday, November 18, the fifth annual State of the University Address was held in the theater. The evening opened with Student Government President Tom Pesce reciting a prayer in which he thanked God for the gift of the Sacred Heart family and asked God for a productive evening.

Pesce continued his address by stating that each year there is more to be grateful for because of the changes that have been possible by the visions, ideas, and cooperative work of Student Government. He said that last year he stood before the university and said that it was the best time to be a student at Sacred Heart and was unsure if he was going to be able to say the same thing again this year.

Pesce said with confidence this year, "That NOW is the best time to be a student at Sacred Heart University!"

Pesce supported his statement by explaining that the students at Sacred Heart University are a true testament of what it means to be Pioneers, never settling for where we are but constantly striving to be better.

Pesce also said, "Nowhere else in the world, has the same students with the gifts and talents that Sacred Heart students possess. That is what makes us so great and that is something that no one can ever take away from us."



Photo by Lauren Testa

Tom Pesce leads SOTUA and reports on student government's accomplishments

Pesce believes that every student matters and everyone can be leaders. He stated, "Leadership is helping other people. Quite simply put, leadership is our love."

Pesce then went on to discuss the many accomplishments that Student Government did, citing such events as online voting and the mock accident.

He said, "It's bridging those gaps and making those connections that make our job so special."

Pesce reaffirmed his belief that the future of Student Government and of Sacred Heart is only going to improve.

He declared, "Tonight, let us all take responsibility for making Sacred Heart a family of leaders where learning is the highest gain and love the ultimate goal."

At the completion of his

address, Pesce received a standing ovation from the audience. Returning to the podium, Dr. Rose introduced Dr. Cernera.

Cernera addressed the audience from the floor of the theater and discussed the development of the strategic plan. He also talked about how the most important thing in life is to be engaged learners and to grow and develop into people who are rooted deep in their heart and faith.

Cernera related the message that the most important thing on our campus is space. He said the order of importance of space, the kind of space and where the space is located is what the university's focus is on for this upcoming year.

Cernera recognized that the accreditation process happens every ten years and said that in March the university

is going to go under its fourth accreditation process. He stated that our university has grown immensely since existence and has increased enrollment of students considerably.

Cernera concluded his speech by saying "If we become actively engaged the world will be better for you, for your children and for your children's children."

Over the course of the night, Cernera was the recipient of many of questions directed to the panelists. The cabinet on stage included Dr. Thomas Forget, Jim Barquinero, Dr. Paul Madonna, Sr. Donna Dodge, Mary Young, and Dr. Babu George representing the faculty. Other administration, faculty and staff members were on hand ready to answer questions from the students.

Many of the questions that

were asked related to the issues of parking and space. One student, a member of SHU Players read a statement that requested that the university find practice and performing space for the productions put on by the students.

Another student questioned what Sacred Heart was looking into building or acquiring over the next 10 years. Cernera answered that question by saying, "Sacred Heart is located on 56 acres of land, and of those acres we own 3 of them."

Cernera also stated that the university has interest in parcels land located on the corner of Jefferson and Park Avenue and concluded with the reassurance that people are working on a resolution to the problem of space.

An additional student whom directed his question to Bill O'Connell, Director of Public Safety, brought up the issue of parking. O'Connell by saying that the parking committee, which has been in place since mid July, is working on finding additional spaces for students to park as well as a system which will attempt to reduce the number of cars on campus.

Pesce ended by quoting the book, *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* by stating, "Professor Dumbledore tells Harry, 'It is our choices, Harry, that show what we truly are; far more than our ability.'" Pesce added that everyone has the ability to be great leaders, yet people must choose to use the ability to help and serve others.

## Koestner Touches Audience With Emotional Story

By Lauren Testa  
Staff Reporter

On November 14th at 6 p.m. in the Pitt Center, Katie Koestner, a victim of date rape spoke to students about her personal experience. Sacred Heart students, athletes, Resident Assistants, Greeks and administration crowded on the first few rows of the bleachers to listen to Koestner tell her story.

Koestner told the audience, without using a microphone, that her voice was not made for public speaking and asked if everyone could be quiet while she spoke.

Katie Koestner has received national attention for speaking out against date rape. Katie went public with her story after being

assaulted by a fellow student at the College of William and Mary. Koestner has been featured on the cover of TIME magazine's date rape issue and she has told her story on the Oprah Winfrey Show, Good Morning America, NBC Nightly News, CNBC Talk Live, The Jane Whitney Show, MTV, Larry King Live, Entertainment Tonight, and many more news programs to increase the awareness of date rape.

Koestner's goal is to reach as many students with her message as possible, while she is still young enough for students to be able to relate to her as a peer.

Koestner founded Campus Outreach Services, Inc., and she has dedicated the organization to fighting sexual assault every way she can.

Koestner told the audience

that she was really naïve and sheltered in high school. Koestner never dated much, yet when a guy would come over to pick her up for a date, her father (who was in the FBI) would say "If you want to live after tonight you will have my daughter home by 12."

As Katie Koestner said, "If my father came to college with me then things would have been really different."

Koestner then said that the guy, Peter, that had raped her had been the person that she had a crush on since orientation in May and she really liked him. She told the audience that Pete looked like a model and he was popular and funny.

Koestner went on to report that eighty-five percent of rape victims know their assailants, and that most rapists are ordi-

narily males with no history of mental illness. She also gave statistics that sixty-eight percent of rapes happen at parties, thirty-two percent happen in a dorm room and twenty-nine percent happen in an apartment.

The director of counseling at Sacred Heart, May Jo Mason believed that Koestner was a powerful presenter.

She said, "Ms. Koestner is extremely knowledgeable on the topic of date rape. She freely shared her experience and also provided helpful information during her speech for the students and administrators."

Koestner told the group that night that she was raped, Peter took her out to dinner to a French restaurant, and ordered dinner for her and champagne in French. She told Peter that

she didn't drink and he said that he only ordered champagne for special people and that it would hurt him if she did not have some.

She told the audience that there were signs that night that told Peter that she was weak and that she would give in to him. According to statistics, rapists choose their victims for their vulnerability and accessibility, without regard to physical appearance or reputation.

Koestner gave in and drank some champagne, and she told the crowd that her drinking the champagne was the first sign for Peter that she would give in to him.

According to the statistics Koestner reported, a woman is most likely to experience an assault during their first two months of college.

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## News Briefs

### SHU Idol Round Two Tonight

Tonight at 10:10 in the University Commons come see the 16 contestants be narrowed down to nine. Then vote for your favorite contestant to move him or her on to the final round.

### Get Ready to Dance at Club SHU

Come to Club SHU tomorrow night in the Outpost from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The event is sponsored by WHRT. Admission is \$1 with SHU ID and \$5 non-SHU. The pub will be open and two forms of ID are needed to drink. DJ Cue, DJ Locomotion and CJ Quick will be playing at Club SHU.

### Show Choir Performance This Weekend

The Sacred Heart Show Choir will be performing their fall program "From Stage to Screen" this Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Theater. Admission is \$3 with a SHU ID.

### Dance Team/Football Service Auction

Would you like a home-cooked meal or do you need your apartment cleaned? If so, come bid on your favorite Dance Team or Football member on Wednesday, December 4th at 10:10 p.m. in the Outpost.

### Editor's Corrections:

The front page article about "Stop Kiss" from last week's issue was also written by staff reporters Keri Wilson and Casey Reynolds. Also, the headline to that article should have read "Connecticut Post Reader Moves to 'Stop Kiss.'"

Last week an article in Features wrote that RA's were Resident Advisors, but it should have read Resident Assistants.

## You Won't Get to Register Early

By Andrew Oshan  
Staff Reporter

When a student receives a yellow, green, or any other color registration card, there is a date on it. This date signifies when a student is allowed to register. Or does it? The student may register on that date at the specified time or after that date and time; however in no way are they allowed to sign up for classes before that time.

Joe Beleznyay who works at the Registrar's office explained that someone in the office registered a student for their classes long before their sign up date. This may not sound like a big deal to someone at first glance, but if this student is a sophomore and they sign up for a class that a junior needs to get into for their major, that sophomore could take the last spot in the class.

Classes in Sacred Heart are kept small, which is one of the inviting reasons of why people come to the school, so it is not

very far fetched that a student can get shut out of a class if it was open one day and closed the next.

One student, Chris Fischer, a junior from Clifton, NJ, had a similar situation last year. He was supposed to register on a Friday morning, but had a prior engagement at home to attend. "I went to go to the office on Wednesday while one of my friends, whom I will keep nameless, was working. The person who worked in the office then signed me up two days before my real sign up date."

Dawn Martucelli, a junior from Ocean, NJ, heard this story and was quite mad. "That is so unfair, what if I need to get into a class and I don't have any friends at the Registrar, how will I be able to get in?"

Beleznyay explained that people being signed into classes, because of whom they know, used to happen all the time. "It's not going to happen anymore, someone got caught and they are investigating to find out who did it." From now on everyone will just be waiting his or her turn.

## Flik: Continuing to Increase the Value of Your Dollar

By Amy Toohey  
Staff Reporter

Upon entering Flik, it is not unusual to see the facial expression of surprise when a student's meal total has been tallied.

"I consistently spend over 10 dollars on my lunches and dinners that I purchase. I, along with many of my friends, am concerned with the steep food prices at SHU. I have visited all of my siblings' campuses and their cafeteria's prices seem to be much lower than ours," said Lauren Hendrin, a junior from Stratford.

Students wish to obtain the most value for their dollar as possible. "There are many offerings that avail the students to eat well-balanced meals at an affordable price. Students just have to look into the options that we provide for them in order to save as much money as possible," stated Paul Sabio, Food Service Director.

The Bargain Bundle Meal is a program that was designed for students who primarily eat all of their meals on campus. A student may choose one hot entree of the day, two side items, a fountain beverage and dessert. The price

for the Bargain Bundle Meal is \$4.00 for lunch and \$6.00 for dinner. The price for dinner was increased from \$5.50 last year.

Keeping the lighter eater in mind, the Mini Bundle Meal was created. A hot entrée, one side item and a fountain beverage can be purchased for \$3.25 at lunch, or \$5.25 at dinner.

Also appealing, is the option to substitute a 12oz salad, from the salad bar, for any of the side items in both meal plans.

At the pizza and deli stations, affordable meal combos are available to satisfy one's appetite. The Pizza Combo includes two slices of pizza, a bag of chips and a fountain beverage. The Deli Combo includes, a sandwich, a choice of a dessert and a fountain beverage. Inquiring students should know that meals do not include refills on the fountain beverage.

The student body at SHU can also look forward to new programs and incentives that Flik has introduced, and will continue to add, over the next few semesters.

"Each food station will celebrate Customer Appreciation Week. This entitles the customer to a free fountain beverage, 22oz or less, when they buy

food from that featured station. Also, we would like to develop a frequency card program for our coffee stations. Programs, such as the frequency card, will be available in the Marketplace and East Hall too," added Sabio.

Sabio would also like to encourage students to get ready to feast on a Thanksgiving meal a few days early. On Monday November 25th, Flik will be offering an all-you-can-eat buffet featuring holiday favorites. The meal, which will be served during regular dinner hours, will cost \$8.00 per person.

The Flik staff has been reworking the menu for the upcoming semester. Adding more delicacy items, in addition to the Sushi Bar, is being looked into.

"We are lucky to have a good selection of food on this campus. It may not be home cooking, but it is better than to be expected for a cafeteria. Student complaints about prices, most recently regarding the sushi, are ridiculous. They should know that eating sushi in a restaurant or buying it at a supermarket is much more expensive. Our prices seem competitive," stated Emily Quinn, a sophomore from Stratford.

## Date Rape Speaker at SHU

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The second sign that told Peter that she would give in to him was when Peter brought up the topic of sex. Koestner had already told her that she was going to wait until she was married and that it was important to her to wait, yet when Peter brought up the topic of sex she had just laughed off the comment instead of confronting it.

During her speech, Koestner became emotional began to cry. "I've never met you," Koestner said, "I wish we weren't in a gym and that you could hear me. Quite frankly I'm not even your friend and this is clearly my issue and I'm doing this for myself but I also don't want this to happen to you, your friends, your daughter or your mother."

Students were deeply affected by Koestner's speech and her honesty. Taryn Mahoney, a senior from Long Island, New York said, "To sit and listen to her speak was very powerful. It was a great medium for enlightening students on such a touchy subject."

Koestner proceeded to tell the audience that after dinner Peter

asked her to go to a fraternity party and she said that she didn't want to do that and that she would rather go to her room and dance

nobody has ever complained."

Koestner stressed to the men in the crowd that it is easy to forget how much power men have.

She emphasized, "As athletes and leaders, if you took a stand against rape, I think that the idea would catch on and other men would follow."

Peter Kvczynski a junior from South Windsor thinks that Katie was an amazing speaker and said, "I am impressed with Sacred Heart's ability to discuss and expose taboo subjects such as rape. Katie Koestner's presentation was very effective, emotional and it made a positive impact on all students that attended."

Koestner ended her talk by saying, "People should do the right thing. Men and women, you should stand up for yourselves because it is your right and choice. I'm not going anywhere right after the speech. I'll be down in front if you want to talk."

Koestner received a standing ovation from the audience that lasted for five minutes. Some students then formed a line in front of Koestner, and gave her a hug.

"I think that she was very effective and she reached a lot of people," said Michele Walker, senior from Paramus, New Jersey. "I want to give her a hug right now."



Photo Courtesy of Campus Outreach Services  
Katie Koestner on the cover of TIME's date rape issue.

instead. They both proceeded to her room and began to talk. As the night progressed, Koestner said that Peter took her signals the wrong way and thought that he could have his way with her.

Koestner told the audience how she was raped that night and that Peter said, "Waiting until your married? Maybe your God will forgive us just this one time. You don't want to have sex with me? I'm very good and



# Post-Grad Volunteering: A Valuable Experience

By Keri Wilson  
Staff Reporter

On November 6<sup>th</sup>, Campus Ministry held the 2nd annual Post Graduate Volunteer Fair in the University Commons. Many students heard the name of the fair and thought it did not apply to them because they were undergraduate students.

As Noelle D'Agostino from Campus Ministry stated, "The fair is geared toward juniors and seniors but it is never too early to learn about your options for after graduation."

At the fair, 15 different organizations from around the world were present to speak to students about opportunities after graduation to volunteer in the areas of education, health care, and

social work among others. After graduation the student would take a year off before going into the working world and spend a year volunteering their services.

"It gives them the opportunity to work hands on in the field that they want to work full-time. It will expose them to a life-changing experience and it takes away the pressure of finding a job directly out of college," says D'Agostino.

The programs offer health benefits, room and board, loan deferment, and stipends. A few of the organizations present were Americorps, Boys Hope Girls Hope, Catholic Charities Project, Dominican Volunteers, InnerCity

Teaching Corps, Mercy Ships and Mercy Volunteer Corps.

Senior Bethany Specht from South Berwick, Maine attended this year's fair and while there she learned about the Mercy Ships program.

"I spent a half hour speaking with a husband and his wife, who was also a nurse, who had joined Mercy Ships after going through a number of health problems with their own children. What caught me is their vision and

to the world," added Specht.

There are many students that have graduated from Sacred Heart University involved in the post-graduate volunteer program. One of them, Julie Kovaleski a 2001 graduate is volunteering for Mercy Volunteer in Portland, Oregon. She is working with the elderly and does everything from pet therapy to just being there to listen to what they have to say.

"In my position here I am lucky enough not to be tied down

by a schedule so I can spend quality time with the residents. It's in this special time that I can be present to them and hear their stories. Many other employees and caretakers do not have this luxury because of their schedules. This is probably one of the greatest reasons for being a volunteer: I can be there to truly listen, which is what many of them need!" says Kovaleski.

Kovaleski also

believes that if it was not for this past year that she spent volunteering, she would never have thought of working with the elderly.

D'Agostino states, "We (Campus Ministry) started the post-grad fair because Sacred Heart University has a history with undergraduates servicing the community but we wanted to promote continuing that service after graduation."

The fair takes place every fall, but for any students who want further information sooner than next year contact Noelle D'Agostino at 371-7841 or stop by the Campus Ministry office.

values. They place their love of God first and then loving and serving others second. I was honestly moved to tears listening to some of the life changing experiences that this couple had experienced themselves," said Specht.

Since visiting the fair Specht is seriously considering joining Mercy Ships. Being a nursing major, she feels that their program would give her the experience that no regular nursing job right out of college could give her.

"If seniors aren't sure what they really want to do after they graduate, then this could be the just right for you to take a year or less to stop focusing on yourself and reach out



Photo contributed by Campus Ministry

**Sabine Auguste, senior,**  
speaks with a representative from  
one of the organizations at last  
week's Post Graduate Volunteer Fair.



Photo by Anthony Franciosa

**The Brothers of Omega Phi Kappa**  
pose with the special guests at their  
Hatian Banquet fundraiser held last week.

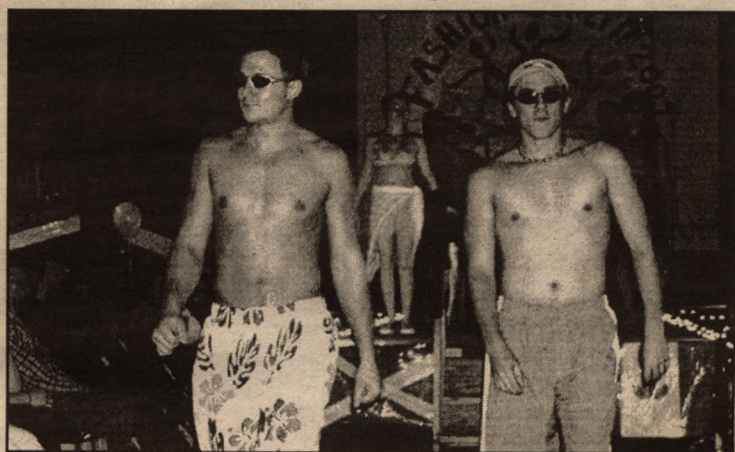


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**Swimwear models strut their stuff at**  
Tuesday night's Fashion Benefit.

## Public Safety Reports

### November 16th:

2:31 a.m. - A poster hanging on a wall was set on fire in a South Hall room. Fairfield FD was called and Residential Life was notified.

10:57 a.m. - A resident reported her stereo was stolen from her vehicle while it was parked in the JCC Parking Lot.

### November 17th:

1:47 a.m. - An intoxicated visitor fell and injured herself. She declined medical assistance.

1:53 p.m. - A West Hall resident found a staff member's access card and entered several rooms. Residential Life was notified.

### November 18th:

12:03 p.m. - A South Hall staff member reported a resident put shaving cream and water on a door.

2:33 p.m. - A student received a suspicious tape regarding religion and terrorism.

# Lecture Takes An In-Depth Look Into Islam

By Stephanie Jelacic  
Staff Reporter

The nation's current "war on terrorism," has not only changed the structure of security in America, or convinced more people to lock their doors at night, but has stirred a desire for inquisition as to what motivations lie within the minds of those responsible for September 11<sup>th</sup>.

On Thursday, November 14, a discussion entitled, "Is Islam Really a Religion of Peace?" was held in the University Commons with guest speaker Jonathan Brockopp a Religion professor at

Bard College, who specializes in Jewish thought, and has an extensive background in the studies of Islamic faith.

The purpose of the discussion was to gain insight into the religion of Islam for the fact that many of those held responsible for the terrorist attacks on the United States practice these beliefs.

Jihad, which means "holy war" can be found in the Qur'an which contains the holy scriptures for the faith of Islam. Brockopp wanted to make clear that this word holds several meanings which raises the important question as to were certain beliefs have there roots.

"Christianity, Judaism and Islam all come from a common beginning, and we have to realize that Islam is a religion of peace," said Brockopp.

According to Brockopp, Osama bin Laden, who has taken credit for the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks, is seen as a extremist to the Islamic faith. He clearly reverses the distinction between individual and collective duties within Islam. Through the words of the Qur'an, God's way of Jihad is meant as a communal duty for spreading monotheism, which bin Laden goes against. He believes that the killing of Americans is an individual duty, yet suicide and

murder is prohibited within the holy scriptures.

"Whatever interpretations arise for a religion, we may go along with the evidence of its history, Bin Laden doesn't. Interpretations do not happen in a vacuum, but by the discussion of a community," Brockopp said.

Dr. John F. Kikoski, a Political Science professor at Sacred Heart had some viewpoints to add to the discussion as well. He states that our main question for concern is "even though all terrorists are not Muslim, why are we so afraid of them? We have to understand that Islam is more than what Westerners are familiar with. It's a deep faith,

state, and civilization. This fear that we have developed through irrational perceptions."

He also adds that "The majority of terrorist acts happen in South America, so the question of fear, like any religion, encompasses all human actions. One that has to do with us, and our perception of ourselves, and Muslims, and their perception of themselves." At the end of the discussion, Sister Margaret A. Palliser of Sacred Heart commented, "Dr. Brockopp gave me much greater insight into the Islamic teaching of Jihad so that I can clearly see the inauthenticity of Osama bin Laden's interpretation of the Qur'an."



## Student Questions SHU's Catholic Tradition

I don't know about anyone else, but to me anyway, it seems that Sacred Heart has forsaken everything that has made it one of the most recognized Catholic Colleges around. It has continued to promote a gay-rights agenda since the beginning of the school year, and it is finally starting to get to me and I KNOW a number of other people, whom I have talked to.

How many daily E-mails flood your Outlook boxes with messages about the G.S.A. or how we should attend the "Safe Zone" meetings? Because it's obvious isn't it? We MUST fight Homophobia! I mean we can't simply be against homosexuality, it's a fact that we MUST be afraid of it. Not only that, but the school endorses plays like "Stop Kiss," a production that is trying to be "new-age, and up-to date," simply for the heck of it. While many people are far from being devoutly religious or "Holier than thou" Christians, the fact of the matter remains that many people did choose Sacred Heart based on its supposed strong Catholic tradition. That has become almost non-existent here.

The school seems to have forsaken all that made it unique and original. It has given in to the politically correct left and begun to promote a life-style that not only do the majority of people disagree with, but that the Catholic religion itself clearly speaks against.

Sacred Heart has become the laughing stock of all religious institutions in the country. It has become clear that Sacred Heart is not special in any way. Many of the reasons why people chose to come here have been thrown out the window. One can clearly see this simply from taking of a poll of freshmen. How many people do you know that are thinking of transferring? I know that I have spoken to A LOT myself. One of my student advisors from my Freshmen seminar even spoke out on this topic.

As a junior, he said that the level of enthusiasm from the incoming class was among the lowest he had seen. He noted, "just look at the number of students thinking of leaving next year...there isn't even going to be anyone left for a Sophomore class." The fact remains that without a drastic improvement in the way it carries itself, Sacred Heart will continue to garner distaste from students who are displeased with its P.C. agenda. This school needs to get back to what made it recognized as a premier school, and quit promoting the "alternative lifestyle" that everyone HAS to accept. If it does not change its ways, Sacred Heart will become a failure in the Catholic tradition, and a disgrace to colleges everywhere. In many ways, it already has.

**Steve Bierfeldt**  
Freshman

Dear Editor,

Did you ever think that a Jewish, Atheist, Muslim, Buddhist, Taoist, Catholic, and Pagan students, who come to SHU, come to educate themselves? In case you did not notice, this is a university, not a church. Open your mind and realize that having a production such as "Stop Kiss" is all about educating the population. Education is about liberating the mind, not restricting, dictating, and banning our understanding of self.

In your editorial, you mentioned that you want more teachers to "teach Catholicism." Don't you know about your religion? Incorporating other religions into class is not "diluting"; it is informing. Expanding your knowledge about other religions builds understanding and acceptance; restricting alternative religious education fosters assumption, skepticism, and hatred.

Finally, why write an editorial about how you are prejudice, want restrictions, and then try to discount it at the end? Write what you mean. You

are an example of the unfortunate stereotype that links Roman Catholics to ignorance and prejudice.

***"Expanding your knowledge about other religions builds understanding and acceptance."***

This world is not full of people who went to Roman Catholic middle schools and Roman Catholic single sex High Schools. It is full of a variety of beautiful individuals and you should wake up and learn to be prepared for it; which is what that university around you is trying to do. Come and break the stereotype, open your eyes.

**Michelle Caruso**  
Monroe, C.T.

## The SHU Voices

-Compiled by Susan Magnano

**Who is your IDOL and why?**



**Brett Wallace**

Mystic, C.T.  
Junior

**"My dad & my uncle  
because they always  
make me do better."**



**Kristin Soder**

Coventry, C.T.  
Freshman

**"Molly Shannon  
because she is a  
SUPER STAR!"**



**Anthony Mowaco**

Seaford, N.Y.  
Freshman

**"Frank Sinatra  
because he is the  
greatest singer."**

## Take It or Leave It

Having read the Spectrum last week, I felt a need to amend a comment I made. I failed to recognize a few courses on Catholicism that will be offered next semester. Kudos to SHU for offering these!

On a different note, I would like to commend the SHU Players for performing "Stop, Kiss." While I disagree with the message of the play (I believe it does, indeed, promote the homosexual lifestyle), and do not believe that it should have been performed on campus, it took courage for them to perform it, and, as I understand, they met with much opposition. Being performed in the context of "Fear No People Week" was wise.

It is important to try to understand the difficulties many people go through. Still, we cannot forget that while we must tolerate people who hold different beliefs, we are not required to agree that their beliefs or actions are correct.

Being tolerant is reaching out with love and charity, but does not necessarily mean condoning actions.

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of everything else, but will  
we tolerate Catholicism?"***

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University – take it or leave  
it. We are thus entitled to a  
Catholic education."***

In response to the front page article about "Stop, Kiss." Having a Gay-Straight Alliance, Fear No People Week, etc. are fine. The Catholic Church promotes tolerance. I believe Mary Beth Koechig

of Stratford is right to question SHU for allowing a play that appears to promote something in conflict with Church teachings. Having read her letter, it is clear, though, that she was being facetious when she claimed not to understand tolerance or political correctness. We don't have to be politically correct.

We must be tolerant, but we must also be Catholic. It is closed minded for us to disregard what the Church teaches! We promote tolerance of everything else, but will we tolerate Catholicism? Catholicism is not fearful of homosexuality, but seeks to help those who are homosexual and not to discriminate against them.

To Samantha DeVita, I must respectfully disagree. Non-Catholic students should be welcomed here. However, they should not for one moment expect anything less than a Catholic school. The same goes for Catholic students. We choose to attend

a Catholic school and are entitled to a Catholic education. We should be offered courses on Catholicism that will help us grow in our faith. Non-Catholics should be encouraged to practice their faith. They can't, though, be offended by something Catholic done at the school. We chose a Catholic University – take it or leave it.

We are thus entitled to a Catholic education, one that will not be watered down because the world disagrees and one that is not motivated by a "spirit of dissent" or desire to prove the faith wrong. We are entitled to the true teachings of the Church, fully explained, and taught in union with the Magisterium. Let's be more Catholic!

**Warren G. Prior**  
Contributing Writer



# Letters/Op-Ed

## A Matter of Respect

Date Rape. What does that phrase mean to you? To many people, including Katie Koestner, that two-word phrase is enough to bring tears to her eyes. Last Thursday evening the Dean of Students' Office, Office of Residential Life, Counseling Services, Athletics Department, A.L.I.V.E. and Lambda Sigma Phi invited Katie Koestner to our school to share her experience of being raped in college.

However, by the end of the night I, found tears in my eyes, not because of what she said, but because of the blatant disrespect displayed by Sacred Heart's athletes.

At first everyone in attendance was captivated by what Katie was saying. However, it took only minutes for me to witness some athletes playing games on their lap tops, throwing things at one another, carrying on their own conversations, and even laughing about what was said.

I was absolutely appalled when I saw this. I thought that the athletes on this campus were more mature than that. Obviously I was wrong. Not only did many of them not attempt to learn anything from Katie, they made what was already an extremely difficult subject to talk about

nearly impossible because of their blatant lack of respect.

I was always taught that respect was earned and that you only get back the respect that you deserve. Based on what I saw last Thursday evening I have little if any respect for the many of athletes of Sacred Heart University. In one evening they proved that they do not deserve my support in what they do if they cannot show consideration for what others are trying to do on this campus.

***"I thought that the athletes on this campus were more mature than that...I have little if any respect for the many of the athletes of Sacred Heart University."***

In the end, I would like to offer my apology on behalf of those athletes who had the audacity to disrespect a woman who opened up and shared her most intimate and personal experiences with us, to the entire Sacred Heart Community who should be appalled by their actions.

***Stephen J. Brine Jr.  
Brother of  
Lambda Sigma Phi  
Class of 2004***

## Why Vacations are Wonderful!

Picture a sandy beach with nothing but white lounge chairs, tall tropical drinks, and the open sea for as far as the eye can see. Now envision a stack of books. These books need to be read and written about in 6 page papers and discussed in presentations. These papers and presentations need to be prepared. Finals are also sneaking into the picture with the stack of books.

While I am not headed for any tropical destination and don't have 6 page papers due, I still have these two scenarios bouncing around in my head. I'd hardly compare the Bed Bath and Beyond I work at to a sandy beach, but it will be a nice break from the stress of papers and classes. All work done at work stays there. For a week, at Thanksgiving, and a month at Christmas, I never have homework to do! Working over the holiday breaks is also great because it's an opportunity to earn some money for spring clothes and next semester's books.

Thanksgiving is the most immediate vacation on the way. I give thanks for my family, friends, fellow Spectrum staffers and WHRT DJ's, and the fact that our country is not at war for the moment. I also give

thanks for great food like turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes... The greatest aspect of Thanksgiving is that while it is fairly lengthy, it does not mark the end of the semester. You will not be leaving your college friends for a whole month. You will get to see your friends from high school who rarely have breaks that coincide with yours. And you will get to eat and sleep the Thanksgiving break days away! Once Thanksgiving ends, Christmas and Chanukah are less than a month away!

I've heard a lot about how much is due in everyone's classes, and can vouch for it in my own, but my reason for writing is an attempt to lift the student's spirits. Vacation is just around the corner; so keep working hard and then your rest will be well-deserved. While your vacation may not include sand and tropical drinks, at least you won't have to look at a blackboard or Flik food for a while.

***Kerry Freel, Junior  
Pearl River, N.Y.***

## Student Stacks Up Cenera's Salary

According to The Chronicle of Higher Education, Dr. Anthony Cenera, president of our university, made over \$383,000 in the year 2000. Now, this confused me a bit. The president of the United States of America makes \$400,000 and he's supporting a war, a country and a coke habit. How is it the president of this university has a salary that compares to the leader of the free world's? Then, I remembered that the president is a public servant, and therefore, must be underpaid.

So, to put the issue into perspective, I started researching other universities with presidents that have a salary similar to ours. I found that Sanford University, Quinnipiac University, and Long Island University, all have presidents with a salary in between \$300 and \$450k.

After a bit of research, things start to come together. It all made sense now; the achievement of the University reflects how the president is rewarded. Each school had some sort of advantage over the other, and the president's salary was based on that. So, our school obviously had something that those schools did not. I mean...it only made sense. If our school offers similar sal-

ary to our president, then our school must also offer similar benefits to the students. Right?

In an attempt to figure out what Sacred Heart's advantage is, I looked at the details of each school. I would speak of Quinnipiac, but you've probably heard its praises from most of our adjunct professors, or from your old hockey coach. Sanford University has seven different schools of education; including a school of divinity and a school for performing arts. Sacred Heart University has a nice closet-like chapel, and our theater has professional actors, so who needs students? Long Island University's president has a well-funded college pharmacy; not to mention an incredibly large student body to attend it. Well, Sacred Heart has a lot of drugs too.

As you can see, Sacred Heart University matches up to these schools in almost every aspect. Now, after this research, I feel I can say that the state of our university certainly merits our president's salary. Thank you for your time. Sacred Heart's proud sons and daughters; keep praising her glory.

***Jeremy Gordon  
Class of 2004***

## An Apple A Day...

There has been a change in the laptop program at SHU this semester. Art and Media Studies students have now been given Apple I-books. This is a very good development because it gives students a chance to use a Mac, which is the computer most Art and Media Studies students are likely to use in their future careers. Using a Mac is not too different than using a PC, but there are subtle differences that users should know about when making the switch.

There are more options with a Mac and this can greatly improve the quality of projects produced on a Mac. Though at first, many people did not know what to do with their shiny white lap tops.

However, as the semester progressed, there was a noticeable increase in the usage of the Macs. Walking through the halls, I noticed many people using their Macs and learning all of the subtleties of the different operating system.

The introduction of the Macs has greatly improved the Art and Media Studies departments and it has also helped to make students in these

fields more knowledgeable. I think it is wonderful that SHU is keeping up with the changing trends in the various job markets. Preparing students for their future employment is one of the goals of any university and I am happy to see that Sacred Heart is doing the best job possible in this area.

***Dennis Fleischmann  
Contributing Writer***

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# FEATURES

## Azpiri Juggles Academics and Clubs

By Kara Brady  
Staff Reporter

Juggle homework, working at a restaurant in Bridgeport, rugby practice, and planning meetings and events for La Hispanidad as the club's President and you will get a taste of what daily life is like for Naiara Azpiri.

Azpiri is a senior from the Basque Country, Spain, has gone beyond what is expected during her time here at Sacred Heart. After coming to the United States as a high school senior, Azpiri has continued to put much effort into her schoolwork, while getting involved in many different activities.

Azpiri is from the Basque Country, the region between Spain and France. This region is governed through Spain, but is currently looking to gain independence.

She speaks Spanish and Basque, the latter being an ancient language older than

any other Hindu or European Language. It is unknown where the uncommon language came from due to its age and history.

Azpiri came to the U.S. in 1998, and spent senior year at Hamden High School, which is about a half hour from Sacred Heart. She heard about the school through her sister, who lives in Hamden and works in the school district. With the desire to learn better English and visit the U.S. for a year, which was her original plan, Azpiri attended Hamden H.S. and played volleyball, which she had played for seven years in Spain. Her experience at first was a little tough.

"Some people would stare or treat me differently for no reason. In Spain, if you don't know someone, you don't judge them. So that was a little weird. It was also hard at first for people to understand me, because I had the sounds wrong," Azpiri said. But because she took English all through middle school and high school in Spain her adjustment was quick.

After taking advice from her high school friends, teach-

ers and volleyball coach, Azpiri applied to Sacred Heart and was accepted. She received a volleyball scholarship.

"I didn't get a scholarship for grades, because when they were transferred from Spain, the school thought they were bad but they really weren't. It's because the grading system is different there," Azpiri explained.

Azpiri is an International Business major here at Sacred Heart, and is graduating in the spring. She's known since she was little that business was for her, and the international aspect was perfect since she has lived in different countries and knows different languages.

A few challenges she has encountered at SHU include language, especially in classes. Also adjusting to so many different cultures has been difficult for her at times. In Spain she was used to every person being just like her culturally.

"At first, I thought I was supposed to be in a certain group, like only hang out with foreign students or something like that.

But I've learned that I could make friends with anyone," Azpiri said.

Her achievements go far beyond any challenges that she may have had. She has been on the Dean's List every semester since she's been here, a member of Delta Epsilon Sigma National Honors Society, which requires a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Azpiri has held the position of President of La Hispanidad for two years, and was captain of the rugby team this past season. Azpiri stopped volleyball after first semester freshman year, and took up rugby.

Besides these activities, Naiara is also part of the multicultural counsel, which she's been involved with since freshman year. She's into her second year as a junior mentor, is a part of the William Pitt Scholars, which looks for grades and involvement, a GE Scholar, and a Community Scholar, which requires 100 hours of service a year. Every year, Azpiri participates in the Fashion Show Benefit, which picks a different organization each year. This year



Photo by Susan Magnano

**Naiara Azpiri is President of La Hispanidad and is multi-lingual.**

its aim is to raise money for international student scholarships.

Her plans after graduation include traveling to Italy for the first part of the summer to study Italian, then return home to Spain for July and August. Her goal is to find an American business in Spain, such as General Electric, and if that falls through she plans on working here in the states for a year then attending graduate school. By keeping a 3.7 GPA and juggling all her activities, Azpiri has proved to be an exceptional and outgoing student.

## A Love For Someone Should Never Change

By Jill Tomasz  
Staff Reporter

For some it is a risk, others a relief, but coming to terms with your family about your sexuality can be a very daunting subject. For some families it can be a huge deal, for others it may not be because every family handles situations differently.

On Nov. 13, a group session was held for students on "Coming Out to your Family." At this meeting students discussed personal experiences about revealing to their family their sexual orientation and experiences of others close to them.

One participant stated, "I was lucky, I had it easy." But this may not be the same for others. "It depends on your family and your family's situation," confirmed another participant.

One of the main obstacles that an individual will encounter is deciding whom they are going to tell, if anyone. Such question asked are, is it their business? How do I know they will still accept me? It is a very sensitive subject, and usually comes down to the relationship and trust that one has with that certain individual.

When a person is first considering about talking to family members about their sexuality, many thoughts

and worries run through their mind. According to PFLAG Philadelphia (Parents, Families and Friends of Gay and Lesbians), there are stages in which an individual will go through when coming to terms with their sexuality: shock, denial, guilt, expression of feelings, personal decision-making and true acceptance.

"At first it can be a sensitive subject," stated a participant.

"If I loved them before, than why not after," another participant replied.

Shock usually is the initial feeling of parents at first, if the topic has never been mentioned before. Although it may take some families longer in time they will come to terms with it.

There should be no regret for telling family members about your sexuality though because whether they accept it, you are being honest not only with them but as well yourself.

Sexuality is not something to be ashamed of; therefore individuals should not be ashamed of coming out.

At the counseling center here at Sacred Heart University there are always counselors available for individuals who are interested in talking one on one. Also, the Gay-Straight Alliance that is open to all students.

## A "Haven" For Sports Management Majors

By Rich Suarino  
Staff Reporter

The Sports Management Club, under President Stephen Sgritta, is only about a year old but already the organization has made significant progress in getting their name out to students.

"The purpose of the organization is to inform students what sports management is and to help provide hands-on activities. This semester we helped out at the football games," according to Sgritta.

The organization helps breakdown at events and helps with ticket sales.

"We do have guest speakers. Last year we had Lyn Carlado of the Bridgeport Sound Tigers come and speak. We also had Joe MacDonnel who has worked with NJ Nets and the NY/NJ Metro Stars," stated Sgritta.

The majority of the students in the club are sports management majors, a major that is only three years old here at SHU.

Junior Mike Peluso of Glencove, NY joined the club after he saw an e-mail about the meetings. He is looking to build connections for when he graduates by getting a job or internship.

"Hopefully I will work for Offense/Defense Football Camp in

event management," Peluso said.

Jackie Turro a student from Rutland, V. T. and Vice President of the organization said the club is looking to expand and would like to attract more students.

"Our goal is to get more funding so we can have more campus wide events and more guest speakers," Turro said.

Turro also explained that the organization is a good way to build connections with others and to meet new people.

"Joining the club is a good way to network with other people to find internships," Turro stated.

Mike Ruzicka, of North Hampton, PA added that having the club is a benefit because "it's a haven for sports management majors. A resume builder."

Under Advisor James Santomier, the sports management club is an organization with approximately 10 students who attend meetings on Wednesday nights at 8p.m. The meetings are open to students in any major.

**"Our goal is to get more funding so we can have more campus-wide events and more guest speakers"**

**Jackie Turro**



# SHU Students Research Cancer-Causing Hormone

By Casey Reynolds  
Staff Reporter

Have you had a glass of milk or a bowl of cereal recently? You should start looking carefully at what milk you are drinking. A Sacred Heart University study group has discovered that the milk served in FLIK, the food service used here, contains a product that is linked with causing cancer.

Upon doing research for a class project, five SHU students, Erin Demchak, Nicole Governale, Sarah Keller, Danielle Pesce and Alli Shaunhesy, learned about this product that is contained in most marketed milk. This product, BGH, is known to cause numerous health risks, including cancer. When these students looked into what kind of milk was used by FLIK they discovered the half gallons of milk they have been drinking contain the harmful BGH.

The product mentioned above goes by many names, but is most commonly referred to as BGH, or Bovine Growth hormone. BGH is genetically engineered and simulates the natural growth hormone produced by cows. It is manufactured by the company Monsanto and sold to dairy farmers under the name Posilac. Cows injected with this product increase in their milk production about 10 percent.

BGH has been linked to many health problems like mastitis, and udder infection, in cows. Due to the infections, the

milk produced by these cows is contaminated with pus from the infection, as well as bovine antibiotics used to treat the infection. BGH milk also contains high levels of a natural growth factor called IGF-1. IGF-1 is known to stimulate the growth of both normal and cancerous cells; these cancerous cells may be contributing to prostate and breast cancers.

Most milk and dairy products on the market contain BGH, however the FDA does not require companies to label their containers stating this fact. As a result, most milk consumers are unaware that they are buying contaminated milk. There are milk and dairy companies on the market that refuse use of BGH and their products are labeled as such.

One major dairy company in this area that uses BGH is Garelick; this is the milk company used by FLIK.

FLIK offers no other alternative to Garelick milk. They do not offer another brand of milk, nor do they offer alterna-



Photo by Susan Magnano

The girls involved with the BGH research projects show off their milk moustaches.

tives to milk such as soy milk or rice milk. The student population has not been informed that the milk has BGH in it prior to this article.

Once Paul Sabio, FLIK representative, was approached about the BGH hormone he immediately was in touch with his milk supplier.

Paul Sabio, FSD states, "I spoke to a representative at Wades Dairy where we purchase all our dairy products. He tells me that Garelick does

not openly purchase milk from farms that injects BGC into their dairy cows.

"However there is no available testing for BGH in those cows so they have no way to know if the cows are being injected. He said that there is a possibility that if Garelick purchases milk from a middleman they do not know if BGH is present.

As it stands now the only milk that we are getting with the chance of BGH is the Garelick in the half-gallon size. The half pints and the milk that we use

**"It scares me to think that the milk I drink can actually contain products that give me cancer"**

Nicole Governale

in the café are produced by Hood or local farms that do not use BGH. We are currently looking for new sources for our half gallons. I have requested some more info on BGH from my dairy supplier. I should receive this info in a few days."

Upon learning about BGH, members of the study group were surprised. "I can't believe the FDA would approve something like this," exclaimed Nicole Governale. "It scares me to think that the milk I drink can actually contain products that can give me cancer.

Erin Demchak has even considered altering her dairy products.

"I had never heard of BGH until I started researching for this project. Now I think twice before eating any dairy product and am thinking of changing to organic milk and cheese," Demchak said.

Kevin Harding, a senior from White Plains, NY who was not involved with the study, but is concerned about the milk served at SHU, stated, "I feel that FLIK should stop serving the milk or offer an alternative."

## Party, Have Fun, And Still Stay Safe

By Kristen Cooper  
Staff Reporter

It is a Friday night and you and all of your friends are getting ready to go out to a bar, but no one wants to drive. There may now be a solution to eliminate the arguing and yelling that stems from choosing a sober driver.

Sacred Heart University's Alcohol Peer Education Group, which started this Fall, is looking to start a Safe Rides program for students. The Peer Group is for students who don't feel comfortable going to a counselor at the Counseling Center to talk about any problems they are experiencing with drugs or alcohol. The group is students helping students. Some students may not want to talk right away and that's okay.

The Peer Group is run by Janice Kessler. She oversees things along with the facilitator, Courtney Trahan. There are currently three students involved, and they are Junior Rich Suarino of Rye, New York, Sophomore John Cotter, also from Rye, and Regina Dempsey, a Junior from Pearl River, New York. Together, they are trying to figure out what is the best way to help students in the community, Cotter says.

Both Suarino and Cotter attended Rye high school, and are volunteer firefighters. They have seen their fair share of accidents, and even have personal reasons as to why they became involved.

Suarino's cousin went off to college, had a car, drove drunk and wound up crashing his car. He is now paralyzed from the neck down.

"Every time I see him like that, it

is a constant reminder," Suarino said.

At Rye high school, they had a Safe Rides program, which was very successful. Students would call up anonymously even if they just did not have a ride from somewhere.

The leaders of the Peer Group can talk to students about alcohol, drugs or any related problems. Its purpose is to help make students feel more comfortable and let them know that there are people out there who want to help. That is not the only purpose of the group though.

This committee is also trying to help deal with underage drinking as well as drinking as a whole. The Peer Group is looking to "develop peer education program on campus where students can educate and counsel other students," Kessler said.

Kessler also said that alcohol is the "number one drug or alcohol on campus."

But SHU is not the only college that falls under that category. Alcohol is the number one national health problem on college campuses. Last Halloween, on the Sacred Heart campus police checked all of the cars coming back onto campus for drunk drivers. The result: one student was arrested for driving under the influence.

On other college campuses, like Quinipiac, there have been numerous drunk-driving accidents. Something needs to be done to prevent this, because too many people are dying too young.

"Just from talking to people I have learned that if the person I am talking to hasn't at some point in time abused alcohol or drugs than they know a friend or family member who has," Dempsey said.

Although Safe Rides can be seen as a controversial program because

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Regina Dempsey

people might think that it could be seen as promoting going to bars, since students will be guaranteed a ride back to campus, Dempsey disagrees.

"Currently people are just making themselves blind to the fact that students are out drinking and then often driving back. I think it's great that we are facing a major problem on college campuses."

Safe Rides in no way will provide transportation to the bars and clubs.

"Safe Rides is an amazing program that can guarantee that the students here would have the security in knowing that there is a safe way to get them home if their ride home is intoxicated and cannot drive," Dempsey said.

Following the Mock Accident that SHU students display for the school, students were speaking out about alcohol. Many said that if they are at a bar and their friends say they are fine to drive, they don't push the topic too far. This is because students are trying to avoid confusion and controversy. But life is more

important than getting in an argument.

Students who call do not have to provide their name; the program is completely confidential. When students do call, the dispatcher will then dispatch students to pick up fellow students out at the bars and clubs, or any University housing complex. This program is completely free and safe. Students are teamed up during timeslots.

There is still a lot of planning that needs to happen, and more students are needed. It is not known what vehicles would be used or where things will be dispatched. There also needs to be more exploring of liability issues. Everything is still in the thinking stages, but once more people get involved, the program will be able to get off the ground.

Kessler feels that this program will be very beneficial to students.

"It will be an opportunity for building leadership and networking with other students."

Dempsey said that she would like to see beneficial things come from this group.

"People need to face the dangers of drinking and driving and substance abuse head on. I hope that it will set a new comfort level for those who need to get help or who are too afraid that if they get help they will be looked at differently," said Dempsey.

The program is looking to be up and running by next semester, Spring 2003.

If you are interested in helping out the Peer Group, you can contact any of the student representatives: Rich Suarino, John Cotter, and Regina Dempsey. You can also contact Courtney Trahan or Janice Kessler at the Counseling Center at extension 7955.



## SHU Players Un"Stop"pable

By Colleen Mitrano  
Staff Writer

Despite the controversy, the SHU Players production of "Stop Kiss" proved to be a success.

"Stop Kiss," is a play written by Diana Son and directed by Jessica Rose Hamilia, a Sacred Heart alumna. It chronicles a love story no different than any other, except instead its about the love of a same sex couple.

The play follows the story of two women; Cali and Sara who slowly realize their friendship might be turning into love. The play shows the hardships the two women had to face while trying to admit to themselves and each other that they were falling in love. Yet, when they finally share a first kiss, an act of violence is provoked and they are attacked for being in love. Thus, their lives are changed in ways no one thought possible.

When asked what compelled them the most to become a part of "Stop Kiss" the actors responded with nothing but complete admiration for the

play and what it stood for.

"Even with the simplicity of the play, the message still came across. Being

a part of it was a deep, amazing experience. Every time we performed it, something more would come out of it," stated June Krumholz a senior from New York who played the part of Sara.

Katherine Ariano a sophomore from Chestnut Ridge, New York who portrayed the part of Cali also expressed her

enthusiasm for the show. "It's an amazing show. It's so touching and it gives a totally different take on a love story. It was an amazing chance to reveal the struggles people have when they admit they might be homosexual. The play also

denounces the stereotype that just because it's different it's wrong." Unlike some other homo-

discovering they are in love.

After seeing the play, Angela Koenig a sophomore from Harrison, New York stated, "I thought the play was great. It made me realize that people who think they are homosexual have a hard time coming out and admitting it to themselves. I don't think that people should discriminate

bers. Upon being asked what she thought about the not so friendly editorial in the "Connecticut Post" about the plays production at Sacred Heart, Sarah Keller a senior who produced the play and Vice President of SHU Players stated, "The comments were unwarranted. If she felt that way she should have attended the play and she did not. A person should know what they are talking about before he or she talks".

Even though some may find the roles controversial and difficult to take on, these actors did not. "The only thing difficult about the role of Sara was that it was my first dramatic one. Katherine and I are good friends and have great chemistry, so the role was not difficult", stated Krumholz.

The production of "Stop Kiss" was a wonderful addition to Fear No People Week. It gave people a chance to see a homosexual love story in a new light. The play had many messages about homosexuality that people needed to hear. The play not only can reach out to homosexuals, it can touch anyone who has ever been singled out because they chose to be "different."



Photo by Rob Trenske

Cali, played by Katherine Ariano, and Sara (June Krumholz) fall in love and have to face the obstacles put in place by those who fear what they do not understand.

sexual love stories, "Stop Kiss" showed people that these women were normal. There was nothing different about them that made them stand out from anyone else. The play showed the two women had the same awkward moments as a heterosexual couple would when first

against gays or lesbians because there is nothing wrong with them. They are just like everyone else, they just happen to love someone of the same gender." Although there was some controversy surrounding the play's production at a Catholic University, it did not seem to faze any of the cast mem-

## Just Beyond Your Imagination

By Kathleen Haughey  
A & E Editor

"Harry Potter must not go back to Hogwart's this year." That is what Dobby, a new character in "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," warns young Harry in the beginning of the film. Naturally, of course, Harry does go back to Hogwarts, he wouldn't miss it for the world...and neither would we.

The second installment in the thrilling collection, "Chamber of Secrets," brings with it the hype and excitement of its predecessor "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," and then some. The Hogwart's Express pulled up to platform 9 and 3/4 on November 15 and went straight to the number one in the box office.

Young and old alike flocked to theaters to see their friends, Hermione, Ron and, of course, Harry. Returning for the sequel are the three original actors, Daniel Radcliff as Harry, Emma Watson as Hermione,

and Rupert Grint as Ron. The year off has been kind to these three who have aged quite a bit.

The new year brings new faces as well. We meet Ginny, Ron's younger sister played by Bonnie Wright, who, while attending her first year at Hogwart's is also nursing a crush on young Harry. A new, conceited Professor

(and adults) everywhere and on to the screen with a furor and spirit perhaps no other actor could have brought to the role.



Photos courtesy of the Internet Movie Database

Familiar faces? The kids seem to be doing a bit a magical transformation.

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," the film, much like the book, sets a more intense tone to the whole series. Draco Malfoy, played by Tom Felton, takes on a larger role in the film, adding more stress to the life of Harry. Harry has to face off against Malfoy on both the quidditch field and the classroom. Malfoy has the assistance of his biggest fan (Harry's

nemesis) Professor Snape, played with wicked excellency by Alan Rickman.

The second year finds Harry hearing strange voices in the halls of Hogwarts. A stronger, braver Harry once again steps up to uncover the truth behind the "Chamber of Secrets." Along with the loyalty of Ron, who would, quite literally, follow Harry to the depths of the earth, and

Hermione, who outwits virtually every thing that crosses her path, Harry can be brave in the face of any obstacle in his path.

With "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" the novelty has worn off, a familiarity has set in and that makes us feel as much at home at Hogwart's as Harry does.

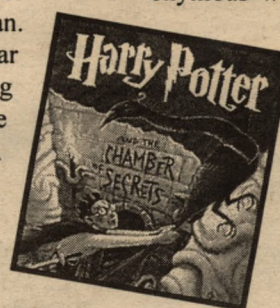
The progression of the characters blends nicely with the aging of the actors

who have virtually become synonymous with their roles. Let's

just hope that the same actors stick around for the next chapter, "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban."

As Mr. Malfoy states at the end of the movie, "Let's just hope Mr. Potter is always around to save the day." His response was, "Don't worry, I will

be," and so will thousands of fans, who, much like Ron, will follow Harry wherever he leads them.



The books by JK Rowling have been brought to life by Director Chris Columbus.

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## "No Strings Attached"

By Danielle Pesce  
Staff Writer

Justin Timberlake became a household name just a few years ago as one fifth of the hugely successful band, N'Sync. The past few months, Timberlake has become increasingly successful as a result of his detachment from the group and his new single titled "Like I Love You". His new CD seemed bound for success.

However, besides the one hit "Justified" is lacking...to say the least. The one major problem hard to get past is the difficulty in finding a favorite song, with the exception of the single that launched the debut of the solo album, it is hard to find another song that has its own sound. Timberlake's "Like I Love You" contains a unique beat and features the sounds of other artists whom work well with Timberlake. This seems to be a lot for the other songs to live up to.

When listening to the CD for the first time, all the songs sound the same. It's hard to remember



Photo courtesy of MTV

**Flying Solo...Justin has broken away from bandmates in order to pursue his solo career.**

what track you're listening to, and more importantly if you've listened to it already. There are a total of 13 tracks on the CD. Their beat is similar making it hard to differentiate one from the other.

While Timberlake has definitely gotten away from N'Sync type sounding music, he now has some high expectations to live up to. With a number one single its hard to visualize which song if any on "Justified" will reach the success that "Like I Love You" has.

Which is why, while it's worth it to buy the single...you might not want to run out and buy the whole CD.

## Between a Rock and a Hopkins

By Patrick Scalisi  
Staff Writer

There is an interesting juxtaposition created between Chris Rock and Anthony Hopkins in the CIA actioner "Bad Company." One of the actors in an outspoken comedian, as well known for his obnoxious stand-up as he is for his film and television career; the other is an aging Oscar winner, classically educated in the art of acting and best known for playing the devious Hannibal Lecter in the films based on the Thomas Harris novels.

When placed together, they create a film that is two parts "Mission: Impossible II" and one part "The Chris Rock Show," as "Bad Company" is easily a highly enjoyable blend of action and comedy. Rock takes on the dual role of Harvard-educated CIA agent Jake Hayes and his twin brother, street-smart scalper Kevin Pope.

When Jake is killed dur-

ing an operation to recover a bomb from potential terrorists, Kevin is recruited to take his place and make sure everything doesn't go sour. Hopkins, as the serious foil to Rock's goofy ruffian, is CIA veteran Gaylord Oaks, a man whose life has been



Photo courtesy of the Internet Movie Database

**An old couple**

devoted to the organization.

The plot of "Bad Company" is transparent at best, having been echoed in most of producer Jerry Bruckheimer's films, including "The Rock". What really shines is Rock's comedic talent, which is evident in almost every scene in which he appears as Kevin Pope. Rock turns "Bad Company" into, at least, a funny movie.

As Gaylord Oaks,

Hopkins provides his unyielding talent among a list of amateurs—including Rock. Hopkins' performance is, as always, believable and solid, though not as fun as when he is feasting on livers and fava beans. His determination that he will never again play Hannibal Lecter has forced Hopkins to explore other avenues and his fans hope that in the future he will chose films that are more attuned to his caliber.

However, as a duo, Rock and Hopkins are a refreshing sight. The Rock-Hopkins team matches a comedian and a dramatist with decent results, rather than matching a comedian with another comedian or an action star with a comedian. As a pair, Chris Rock and Anthony Hopkins lend a refreshing splash of water to the genre.

"Bad Company" is certainly not a great film, nor is it likely to rake in the profits that some of Bruckheimer's other projects have collected. However, as a piece of comedic, escapist entertainment, "Bad Company" is sure to fit anyone's palette and is now available on video and DVD.

## The Princess and the Thief?

By Julie Fuhrman  
Staff Writer

Princess Diana led a life like no other, constantly the center of the media and the paparazzi's dream. It has been five years since that fatal day in August of 1997 when the world lost "the people's Princess."

Yet her life continues to be at the center of the media's interest. On Monday November 18th, "20/20" interviewed Princess Diana's best friend, confidant, and butler Paul Burrell who has now become the center of controversy.

"Every day I would sit down with Diana and talk about her life. I would give her my opinion on what she was talking about. She would always tell me I was her emotional washing machine. That whatever she put in me, would come out okay," Burrell said. However, whether Burrell really knows all of Princess Diana's secrets and if the ones he has revealed are true is what's being questioned.

Burrell was completely devastated by the loss of Princess Diana. "I couldn't believe it was true, I thought it must be a mistake," Burrell commented. However, he tried to move on

with his life with his wife and children. His life was moving forward until sudden controversy hit his life and the media. He was accused of stealing objects



Photo courtesy of Guardian Newspapers  
**Paul Burrell served as Diana's butler and became one of her closest friends.**

that belonged to the Princess and royal family such as clothes, photograph's, CD's, letters, etc. He was arrested and went to trial. "To stay out of jail, I knew I would have to reveal some of the secrets I promised Diana I would not tell anyone. I was filled with dread to have to reveal some of Diana's secrets

to clear my name. I couldn't believe I was going to be the one to betray her," Burrell stated.

The day before Burrell was about to tell some of Diana's secrets, the Queen came forward claiming that she remembered a few days after Diana's funeral a conversation with Burrell.

She claimed she remembered Burrell telling her he was going to hold onto some of Diana's belongings for safety. With this new evidence, the judge found Burrell not guilty. This is where the controversy really begins. Why didn't the Queen come forward with this story earlier? Did she just make it up to save the Royal families secrets from being revealed? Burrell claims this is not the case.

Many felt Burrell was a liar and a thief. Therefore he told the world some of the secrets about Diana even after being found not guilty. When asked why he didn't just go home after the trial and never say another word, Burrell commented, "I had to prove to everyone that I'm not a thief, I'm not a liar. In order to tell my council how deep and close my relationship was with Diana, I had to tell. It was not just about protecting myself but also my family. If I didn't tell some thing, then no

one would ever know the truth."

What are these secrets that Burrell revealed about Princess Diana? Burrell claims that he



Photo courtesy of the BBC

**Princess Diana's memory is shrouded with controversy even today, five years after her death.**

used to sneak men that Princess Diana was seeing secretly into the palace through the trunk of his car. "I brought people into the palace in a private way. I did it for years. Living in such a private world, she had so very little privacy, so I gave that to her," Burrell commented. Burrell also commented that Princess Diana was in love, she had found a soul mate. "I feel that if she were alive she would possibly be married again, living in America on the West Coast. She also wanted to have more children," he added.

Burrell also tells of a secret tape, which is of a victim's account of rape by one of Prince Charles aids. Did this rape really occur or is Burrell making this up? No one knows the answer.

Video diaries that Princess Diana made during her darkest days that she kept in a secret box are no longer in safe hands. "When they were with me, they were safe. I'm not sure where they are now or who is looking at them. I wasn't there when she made the tapes. I don't know what was on them, I still don't.

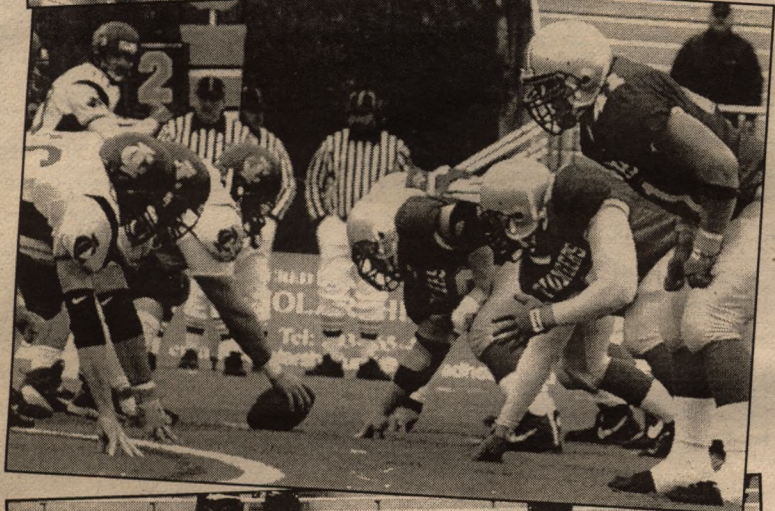
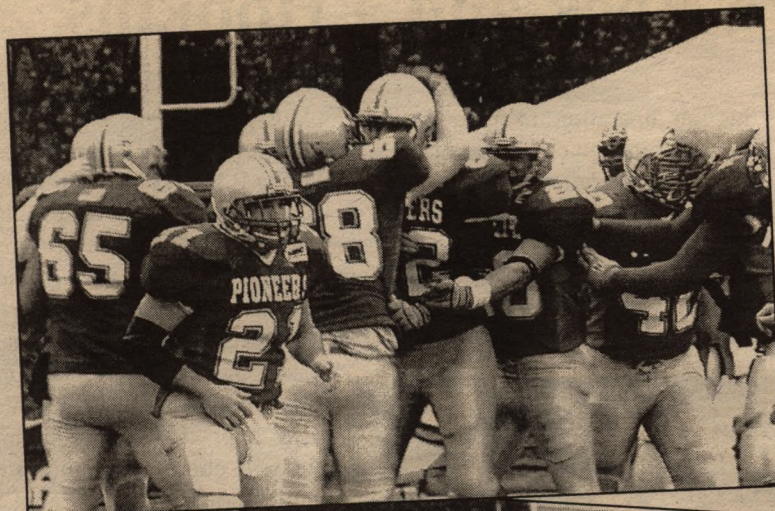
They were Princess Diana's thoughts that should never be heard by anyone. They should never be public domain." Burrell claims that the police now have those tapes.

**Did Burrell tell all?**

Burrell stated, "I am not telling all her secrets. There is so much more that will never be said. Enough has been said and it's time to move on."

The royal family supports Burrell and is delighted an innocent man did not go to prison. While some of Diana's secrets have been revealed, no one will ever know the real life Princess Diana led.





Photos by Susan Magnano

(Top): The offense celebrates following senior tightend Sean McCauley's touchdown. (Middle): The defense lines up to stuff the run. (Bottom): The punt block team anticipates the snap.

## FOOTBALL

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season record for sacks as well as the career total in that same category with his 16 sack performance this year.

Sacred Heart's final two points were from a blocked punt by junior strong safety Brian Pawlowski (Branchburg, NJ) that sailed outside the end zone resulting in a safety.

As the game drew to a close, SHU extended its conference leading streak to nineteen quarters without allowing a single touchdown by an opposing team.

"We did an excellent job of overcoming adverse weather conditions to put together a dominant performance in all three facets of the game," stated senior place kicker Tim Redican (Meriden, CT)

This game marked the end of an exciting season of Pioneer football as well as the third consecutive winning season for SHU.

Despite the rain and the cold the stands were filled with loyal Pioneer supporters who cheered the team on to victory.

The Pioneers finished their season campaign tied for second place in the conference, as well as leading in many offensive and defensive categories.

"It will be tough to replace this years senior class, but there are many underclassmen who have stepped up within the past year, and the tradition we've established here will continue to produce winning teams," stated senior free-safety Blake Neri (Dover, NH).

## MADNESS CONTINUES

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gaining victory over his competition junior Maurice Bailey and freshman Mike Parker.

***"It was fun getting to see the women's and men's basketball teams for the first time this season, I think this positive experience will give the SHU students hope that our programs are on the rise," stated senior Dave Appleton (Framingham, MA)***

Midday Madness included many prizes such as T-shirts, money and free tickets to see the SHU basketball teams perform.

The 2002-2003 SHU Men and Women's basketball season has officially begun.

According to Nicholas Giuliano, manager of the men's team, "Last year we had a group of freshman and sophomores, a young and inexperienced team. We're a year older this year and the guys have gotten a lot better, every coach in the NEC thinks that our team is going to be one of the better ones in the conference. I agree with him. This team is going to win a lot of games."

Both the men's and women's team boast experienced returning squads who are banking on talent to lead them to the top of both their conferences and hopefully to a conference championship.



Photo by Susan Magnano

The cheerleading team performed an acrobatic routine at Midday Madness in support of the men's and women's basketball teams.

## Season Looks Bright for Volleyball

***Experience looks to keep men competitive this year.***

By Patrick McMahon  
Sports Writer

Volleyball is a sport that requires concentration, stamina, and lightning quick reflexes. Serving, setting, bumping, and spiking the ball with blistering speed are talents that Sacred Heart's men's volleyball team are proud to boast. Finishing last season with an overall record of 15-11 and this season quickly approaching, with their first game being at home on Jan. 12, the team is getting ready to work their hardest to continue their winning ways.

The season is far enough away that they still have time to work on their game. Working hard at playing the best they can is exactly what they are doing. According to senior co-captain

Patrick Bihn, of Floral Park, NY, "We're practicing as much as the NCAA allows us to before the actual season. But when the season starts, regardless of limited gym time, we'll have more practice time and really be able to step it up."

The main goal for the whole team this year is to win the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association (EIVA) Hay Division. "Last season was our first in the Hay Division and we came in fourth out of seven teams," says Head Coach Craig Boston.

The men's volleyball team meshes in a way that makes other teams jealous. "The best thing about our team is that we are all great friends and we all get along," explains junior outside hitter Mike Burns of East Providence, RI. "There is a lot of friendly competition for playing time, but overall that competition makes everyone a lot better."

With the loss of captain Brian Quinn and teammate Josh Swan to graduation last year, two

sets of very large shoes have been left to fill. Filling Quinn's captain position are senior middle blocker (starting this season as right side hitter) Matt Snyder of Greensboro, NJ who had 233 kills last season, junior setter CJ Pinkney of Ringwood, NJ who led the team last season with 1,028 assists, and senior middle blocker Pat Bihn who had a team high average of 1.06 blocks per game.

***"The hardest part of starting a new season is adapting with the new freshmen and keeping together the unity we already have," stated Chris Skelton.***

The captains are backed by two other key players libero Mike Maziarz of Wilbraham, MA who

finished the season seventh in the nation in digs with 197 (2.32 per game) and outside hitter Doug Soviero of Huntington, NY who had 181 kills.

The loss of Quinn and Swan would seem to be a disadvantage for the team to some. However, "their graduation gives people like myself, junior Chris Skelton (Westerly, RI) and sophomore Chris Macneill (Medfield, MA) a chance to show what we can really do," says Burns.

Along with a bench that runs 10 deep, there are three freshmen and one sophomore transfers that are all looking very promising to the team. "They are young, and fresh off the bench they could all produce a helpful spark on the court," says Bihn.

"The hardest part of starting a new season is adapting with the new freshmen and keeping together the unity we already have," explains Skelton. "Since our team is already so strong and the new members are meshing

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ATHLETICS



# Pioneers Drop Huskies

**The Sacred Heart men's hockey team crushed UCONN 6-3 at first ever MAAC Hockey Challenge.**

**By Henry Gargiulo**  
Sports Writer

"First Class" were the words head coach Shaun Hannah used to describe the building, locker rooms, ice surface and even the event staff at the first ever MAAC Hockey Challenge on Nov. 15 and with a first class surrounding, the Pioneers produced a first class effort.

Behind two early goals from junior Marc-Andre Fournier (St. Catherine, QC) the Sacred Heart University Men's hockey team extended their winning streak to three games Friday night as they topped the University of Connecticut Huskies 6-3 at the first ever MAAC Hockey Challenge at the Arena at Harbor Yard in Bridgeport.

Fournier's season started much like the Pioneers did, a little sluggish. Sacred Heart started 0-3-2 with Fournier registering only two assists. But Fournier quickly ignited the offensive fire with two first period goals, his first two of the season.

The first came just 23 seconds into the game as he intercepted a Uconn pass, streaked down the right wing and blasted a shot past Uconn goalie Artie Imbriano.

This was exactly what the Pioneers need to "get off on the right tone" Hannah said. He would soon add his second goal later in the period on the power play. Fournier took the feed from freshman Rocco Molinaro (Dearborn, MI) and senior Les Hrapchak (Wakaw, SK) and put the Pioneers up 2-0 at the 10:59 mark.

Connecticut battled back late in the period to close the gap to 2-1 when freshman center Chris Uber beat Pioneer goalie senior Eddie Ferhi (Charenton, Fr). D.J. Miller tied the contest in the second period on a power play goal after Garrett Larson was sent off for a cross check.

The score would remain tied until midway through the second period when once again Fournier would help create the offence for Sacred Heart. Fournier took a pass from junior Chuck Metcalfe (Edmonton, AB) at the top of the slot, moved in and found sophomore Ryan Bremner ready at the point for a shot. Bremner, seeing the opportunity, jumped into the offence and hit a laser beam, which went flying over Imbriano's shoulder and just under the crossbar for his first

goal of the season. Hrapchak came close to extending the Pioneer lead at the 12:55 mark, but Imbriano was up to the task of stopping his hard slap shot. Metcalfe would also have another good scoring chance late in the second but Imbriano once again kept Uconn in the game.

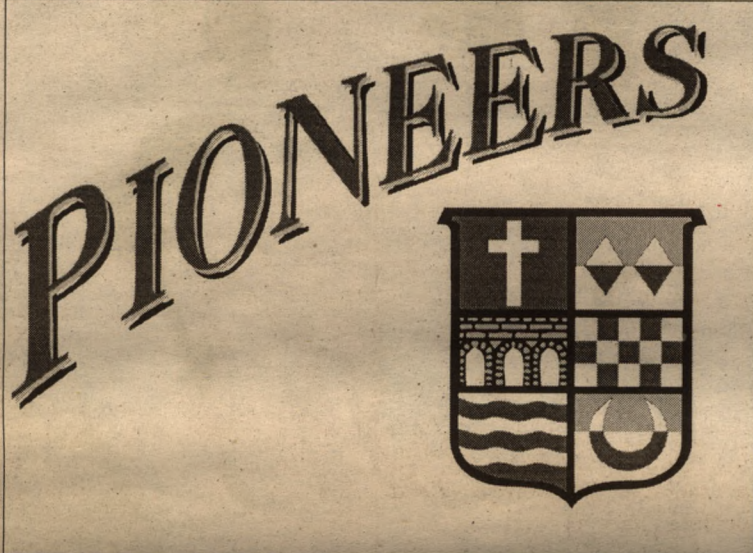
Connecticut had a chance late in the second, but Ferhi was not about to let the game draw even again. After being caught out of position Ferhi slammed the door on the Uconn attack as he swung his right leg out to make an incredible pad save.

"That was a very pretty save," said Hannah, "Eddy is a

goal off the stick of Michael Hoffman, but that would hardly be enough to overcome the third period onslaught by the Pioneers.

With over 900 fans in attendance, most of them wearing Pioneer colors Hannah was impressed.

"On behalf of the members of the hockey team, a great big thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket and made the trek" said Hannah. He also mentioned that getting involved in an event such as the MAAC Hockey Challenge took a team effort from everyone in Athletics department as well as Fairfield University for hosting the event.



truly gifted goaltender."

In the third period the Pioneers once again came out firing, this time it was sophomore Barclay Folk tallying his first goal of the season. Senior Mike Reagan set the goal up with a nice centering pass from behind the net.

Folk took the pass in stride and blasted a shot past Imbriano, then did his best Bobby Orr impersonation as he was sent airborne by the back-checking defender. Folk's goal, the eventual game winner, came just 1:39 into the third.

Hannah was not satisfied with a two-goal lead as the Pioneers kept up the offensive pressure. After some line juggling in the first two periods Hannah settled on a line of Molinaro centering wingers Erik Roos (Fr. Milford, CT) and Martin Paquet (Sr. St Catherine, QC).

This time Molinaro would provide the pretty play. Junior Nick Nutter (Hamden, CT) intercepted a pass at center ice and quickly gave it over to Molinaro. He then crossed the blue line, decked the lone UCONN defender out of his skates and proceeded to send a shot five hole to put the Pioneers up 5-2.

It would be Paquet's turn next as he would add the Pioneers sixth and his team leading fifth goal of the season 12:51 into the third. Larson assisted on the score.

Connecticut added a late

## VOLLEYBALL



Photo by Anthony Franciosa

**Junior Michael Burns spikes a ball on his teammates at a recent practice for SHU.**

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so well, I think we are going to do just fine."

There are also some strong returning players. Last season outside hitter Chris Skelton had 22 kills, outside hitter Chris MacNeill had 3 kills in 3 games he played and middle hitter Mike Gardner of Brookfield, WI had 85 kills. These guys show a lot of promise and are powerful assets to the team.

The first chance to see this years men's volleyball team in action is Saturday, Nov. 23, at their fall ball tournament. The tournament is being held in the Pitt Center, and will showcase the talents of 10 very good teams.

"The tournament is a fundraising event that has attracted some good teams from the EIVA conference. Six of the other nine teams are on our schedule in the spring. So, I feel that it is important to get a good judgment of just where we are as a team vs.

good competition," says Boston.

The entire team is excited to see what their opponents look like this year, as well as getting a chance to show everyone what they have got.

"Hopefully everyone will get a chance to play and we will have a good competitive atmosphere with good results from everyone giving it their all," says Bihn. "The tournament itself will help to put our season in perspective. It will help us highlight certain aspects of our game that we need to work on to meet our season goals," adds Burns. Two years ago, the men's volleyball team became Sacred Heart's first team to make it to the NCAA tournament since the school went Division 1; a feat the team hopes to duplicate this season.

With a starting squad working very hard and 10 guys waiting on the bench to pick up at any sign of weakness, the entire team is looking forward to a very exciting season.

## SPORTS SCHEDULE

### Friday, Nov 22

Women's Basketball	at UMass	Amherst, MA 7:00 PM
Men's Ice Hockey	vs AIC	Milford, CT 7:00 PM

### Saturday, Nov 23

Men's Basketball	at Stony Brook	Stony Brook, NY 2:00 PM
Women's Cross Country	at IC4A/ECAC Champ	Van Cortlandt Park
Men's Cross Country	at IC4A/ECAC Championships	Van Cortlandt
Wrestling	at Cornell Inv	Ithaca, NY 9:00 AM
Women's Ice Hockey	vs Southern Maine	Milford, CT 5:00 PM
Men's Ice Hockey	at AIC	Springfield, MA 7:00 PM

### Sunday, Nov 24

Men's Fencing	at Cornell Inv	Ithaca, NY All Day
Women's Fencing	at Cornell	Ithaca, NY TBB
Women's Ice Hockey	vs Southern Maine	Milford, CT 3:30 PM





## Kicking off with MADNESS

*Sunday the men's and women's basketball teams celebrated the beginning of their seasons with midday madness.*

By Loren Aversa  
Sports Writer

Whether it be midday or midnight, the excitement of the beginning of the 2002-2003 Sacred Heart University's Men's and Women's basketball season will always bring dedicated fans to the stands. At 2pm on Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, Midday Madness took place at the Sacred Heart University pitt center.

The crowd got rowdy as Tom Pesce, student government President, introduced both the men and women's basketball teams.

This was followed by a spectacular performance by the acrobatic SHU cheerleaders. The dance team was right behind

them grooving to Missy Elliot's, "Party People".

This year's Midday Madness consisted of a mini slam-dunk contest, 3 point shooting, and a regular slam-dunk contest. The mini slam-dunk contest allowed the "little" fans compete their dunking skills on the court.

Sophomore Mike Queenan, a forward for the men's team won the three point shooting contest over Junior Ashley Kohl, a guard from the women's team, gaining bragging rights for the entire season.

"It was fun getting to see the women's and men's basketball teams for the first time this season, I think this positive experience will give the SHU students hope that our programs are on the rise," stated senior Dave Appleton (Framingham, MA)

Midday Madness came to an end with the slam-dunk contest. Junior Justin James, also a forward for the men's team, had the crowd's full attention while he went flying through the air landing in a jaw dropping slam dunk,

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Photos by Susan Magnano

The dance team celebrates midday madness on Sunday (Top) as the women's basketball team looks on (Bottom).

### INSIDE SPORTS

#### Men's Volleyball

Loaded with returning players and talent, Men look to make a run for the top. (Pg. 10)

#### Men's Ice Hockey

Men trounce UCONN 6-3 in at the first ever MAAC Hockey Challenge. (Pg. 11)

#### Pioneer Schedule

Sacred Heart athletics remain busy as seasons begin and end.

## SHU Ends Season in Dominant Fashion

*The Pioneer football team ended their 2002 campaign in a fury upending IONA 30-3 to seal an impressive 7-3 record.*

By Dennis Fleischmann  
Sports Writer

Despite the cold and the rain at Saturday's football game on campus field the Pioneers won their final contest against Iona by a score of 30-3. Iona scored first with a field goal in the first quarter, but SHU dominated the remainder of the game.

Junior quarterback Joe Kroells (Burbank, CA) threw for three touchdowns and led his team to victory. This win marks the end of the football season leaving Sacred Heart with a record of 7-3 and making it the third consecutive winning season for the Pioneers.

Senior kicker Tim Redican (Meriden, CT) evened up the score by kicking a 31-yard field goal with 13 seconds left in the



Photos by Susan Magnano

**MEETING AT THE QB:** Sacred Heart Seniors Odain Mitchell (97) Shaun Hubbard (99) and Kayode Mayowa (45) meet at the ball carrier as Junior Michael Burbridge (90) looks on.

first quarter. From that point on SHU dominated the game, taking the lead midway through the second quarter when Marlon Ward

lateraled a short catch to senior wide receiver Doug Geoffrey on a hook and lateral play, who then took the ball in for the touch-

down. The Pioneers extended their lead at the end of the second quarter when Kroells threw a 13 yard pass to senior tight end Sean

Macauley (Clinton, CT) making the score 16-3 at halftime.

Kroells picked up his third touchdown when he found sophomore Steven Clayton (Pontiac, MI) at the right sideline resulting in a 35 yard score to make the score 22-3.

**The Pioneers defense kept Iona in check for the entire game and had a school record 12 sacks.**

The Pioneers defense kept Iona in check for the entire game and had a school record 12 sacks against Iona quarterback Billy Brieden. One of the sacks, by senior linebacker tackle Kayode Mayowa (LaSalle, RI) led to a fumble and subsequent recovery by senior Blake Neri (Dover, NH). Neri ran the ball ten yards for his third defensive touchdown of the season. Neri also recorded an interception on the day.

Senior defensive end O'dain Mitchell broke the NEC single

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